Hearts of Steel

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Summary: AU set in 1795. In Afro-Eurasia, the French Revolution is raging. The noble heroes loyal to king and country fight against the barbaric, bloodthirsty mobs who wants to plunge France into chaos. But this is not one of those stories, it is not even set in Afro-Eurasia. Instead, we find ourselves in York of Upper Canada where French sympathizers are hatching evil plots.

1. 1795 in Canada

Welcome everyone. Enjoy and review.

1795 in Canada

Mark Twain would not have been born for another forty years, Jules Verne would not have been born for another thirty-three but if John Henry had been born at all yet was a mystery. As for Lee Ping, he had been born in 1780 and thus was born twenty-seven years before Robert E. Lee who caused the English surname "Lee" to become a surname through is fame but in due part to his counterparts across the multiverse being well known by the name of Lee Ping he shall be known by that name despite Robert E. Lee having not yet been born and the McCune-Reischauer Romanization of the Korean language that resulted in the translation of his surname as "Ping" would not exist until 1937.

The place was Canada but not Canada as we know it. This was before the Canadian Confederation, which would become the Jewel of the Americas. Still it was a Canada filled with villains that made villains such as James Fenimore Cooper's Magua look not so villainous or hypocritical.

Still whatever the Canada was that Lee Ping had been born in it was a Canada nonetheless. It was a country filled with beauty and danger, and boroughs filled with good and evil.

At the moment this story is set, Toronto had existed for thirty-five years. However this was the Toronto of an older time. The city we call Toronto was settled in 1750 as Fort Rouille and established in 1793 as York, Upper Canada and would not be incorporated as Toronto until 1834. Thus our stage is more than a fort but less than a city: it is a town.

At this point York was a part of British Canada thus Lee had been born during the reign of George III of Great Britain; King of Great Britain, Ireland and France, Elector of Hanover, Duke of Brunswick-Luneburg and Archtreasurer of the Holy Roman Empire. Now, to say that he was only ruler the inhabitants of York had ever known would be untrue. For while Lee Ping, Biffy Goldstein and Tina Kwee had all been born during his reign and Camillio Martinez and Holger Holgaart had come to Canada during it, Wendell Barrage for instance had been born during the reign of George II and served in the Anglo-Mysore Wars, the First Anglo-Maratha War, the American Revolutionary War, the Anglo-French War, the Fourth Anglo-Dutch War, the Northwest Indian War and was currently away fighting in the French Revolutionary Wars on the side that Great Britain was on which consisted of the Holy Roman Empire, Ireland, the French Royalists, the Counter-Revolutionaries, Portugal, Sardinia, Naples and other Italian states, the Ottoman Empire, Spain, the Dutch Republic, Saint Domingue and of course Great Britain.

This was a time of mob violence brought about by the evil that were revolutionaries but this is not a tale of the French Revolution.

2. French Sympathizers

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French Sympathizers

Two French sympathizers were Tina Kwee and Camillio Martinez. Specifically, they were revolutionary sympathizers. That did not mean they were bad people, they just had an overly romanticized view of the revolutionaries. Unfortunately, this would be the view that most people would have about the great evil that was the French Revolution. This would cause someone as neutral in moral alignment as Marie Antoinette or someone as evil as the revolutionary Georges-Jacques Danton being portrayed as a hero. Revolution, after all, is uncivilized and the French Revolution was no different from any other. There were truly evil sympathizers of the revolutionaries however, but they shall come later.

One Basil Hagen did confront these two, coming out of an alley while they passed a bookstore. Lee Ping was in the bookstore and heard what had been said.

"So, you two support those barbaric mobs in France do you?" asked Basil. "You are traitors to the king! I'll have none of this! Those of royal descent are inherently good and keep those evil hearted mobs in check! Without them all the world would be overrun by the hordes of revolutionaries!"

Tina was in shock at being called a traitor but it was Cam who gave a

response. "The revolutionaries are bringing change to France. They will put an end to the tyranny of the kings!"

"France has not had a tyrannical ruler since Edward the Black Prince." Stated Basil. "What they will do is bring about the evil that gave the Romans the power to nearly enslave the entire world!"

"Alright, that's enough." Lee came out of the bookstore and looked at Basil. "Basil, go! Chase sheep!"

"That was just once!" objected Basil.

"Well, do something!" said Lee. "Just go!" Basil did leave and then Lee turned to Cam and Tina. "And you two! Keep your support for the revolutionaries in private less something horrible happens to you! There are people worse than Basil who are loyal to the king!"

3. Cold as Steel

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Cold as Steel

The more dangerous sympathizers of the French revolutionaries were not people who romanticized what was going on. They knew of the atrocities that would be carried out and were very fine with that.

The sympathizers consisted of Veronica Victoria, Lynch Webber, Cassandra McAdams, Li Ping, Fatticus Mann and one by the name of Sheridan. They all had some sort of reason to be sympathizers of the revolutionaries and none of them were particularly good reasons.

For Victoria it had been in due part to her father having died fighting against the Kingdom of France in some war. It wasn't a good reason because naturally, people would die in war so there was really no reason to wish the fall of an entire kingdom just because one's parent was a casualty in a war against it.

For Lynch it was just to see the chaos. Anarchy for anarchy's sake is never a good reason and being an anarchist is one of the most evil things one can be so really Lynch was just doing evil so he could see evil happen.

Cassandra's reason was that she wished to make a profit by supplying weaponry to the revolutionaries whose hearts were blacker than ink! To make a profit from the bloodshed and death is a terrible reason.

Li only wished to be the opposite of his younger brother. Lee was fairly neutral so Li decided he would take a side and unfortunately he took the wrong side.

As for Fatticus, it was very much due to the part that he was being bored. He merely viewed aiding the revolutionaries as a pastime. He needed a better pastime.

Sheridan's reasoning was completely unknown. All that was known of

her, is that like the rest she had a heart as cold as steel.

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